

Abstract of the Disclosure

A system and method are described for establishing and managing a vendor inventory of emergency business supplies for a business. The vendor is compensated for costs of maintaining the inventory. The business supplies are released periodically, for discount sale, after they have been in the vendor inventory for a period of time expiring when a release condition occurs. The vendor inventory is then restocked, and the vendor is compensated at least partially for the discount provided in the discount sale.